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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Tomas GANDEMO for ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH IMPROVED CLOSING MECHANISM.

- Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: SCA Hygiene Products AB.

Also enclosed are:

- 2 sheet(s) of drawings;
- a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is hereby made to _____ filed in _____ on _____;
- in the declaration;
- a certified copy of the priority document;
- a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- an Assignment document;
- an Information Disclosure Statement;
- a translation of the prior-filed provisional application and statement of accuracy;
- a patent application data sheet; and
- Other: Form PTO-1449; Cited References (4);
copy of International Search Report dated 23 May 2003.
- An executed unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
 also is enclosed will follow.
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.

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The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

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	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00 (1001)
Total Claims	6	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					770.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed					
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					770.00

This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed for the fee due.

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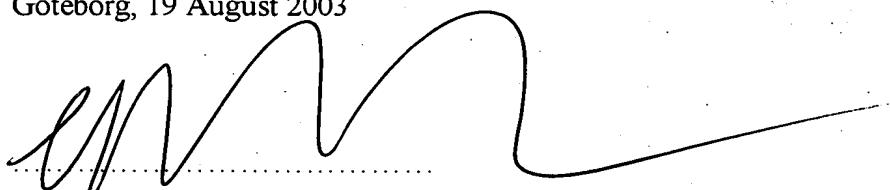
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CERTIFICATE

I, Ulf Schlossman, Örnehufvudsgatan 11, 412 59 Göteborg, Sweden, hereby declare that I am familiar with both the Swedish and the English languages and, having revised both documents, I certify that the following is a true translation to the best of my knowledge and belief of US Provisional Patent Application No. 60/428,239.

Göteborg, 19 August 2003



Ulf Schlossman